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October 11 – Fall/Winter Car Care & Halloween Issue

October 25 – Restaurant Guide/Catering & Pre-Thanksgiving Issue

November 8 – Thanksgiving & Black Friday Issue

November 22 – Get Ready for Winter, Winter Sports Enthusiasts & “For Kids” Holiday Issue

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EVENTS CALENDAR

Ithaca Apple Harvest Fest - September 29 - October 1 - Downtown Ithaca Commons

3rd Annual Homer Hops Fall Festival - September 30 - 700 NY-90, Homer

Groton Car Club Cruise-In & Poker Run - September 30 - Summerhill Brewing, 14408 NY 90, Locke

50 Years of Country Queens Dinner Show - October 5 - Cortland Country Music Park, 1824 Rt-13, Cortland

Annual Draft Horse & Tack Sale - October 6 - Cortland County Fairgrounds, Cortland

25th Annual Candor Annual Fall Festival - October 6, 7 & 8 - 79 Spencer Road, Candor

GP Ski Swap - October 6, 7 & 8 - Greek Peak Mtn Resort, 2000 Rt. 392, Cortland

Hops & Swaps Brewfest - October 7 - Greek Peak Mtn Resort, 2000 Rt. 392, Cortland

26th Annual Great Cortland Pumpkinfest - October 7 & 8 - Courthouse Park, Church Street, Cortland

Newark Valley Apple 42nd Annual Fest - October 7 & 8 - Rt 38, Newark Valley

50th Annual Lafayette Apple Fest - October 7 & 8 - 2444 Tully Farms Rd., LaFayette

Broome County Parks 8th Annual Scarecrow & Display - October 2-23 - Otsiningo Park, Binghamton

The Cortland Curiosities Market - October 13 - Experience Cortland, 42 Main St., Cortland

Freak at the Peak: Zombie Zipline Tour - October 13 & 14 - Greek Peak Mtn Resort, 2000 St Rt. 392, Cortland

Pun'Kin Palloossa - October 14 - Anderson's Farm Market, 5887 St-Rt. 281, Homer

11th Annual Little York Fall Fiber Arts Fest - October 14 & 15 - Little York Lake Pavilion, Preble

Phil Jordan at the 1890 House - October 15 - 1890 House Museum, 37 Tompkins St., Cortland

Homer Harvest Ramble at Center for the Arts - October 15 - Center for the ARTS of Homer, Homer

Freak at the Peak: Haunted Coaster - October 20, 21 & 27, 28 - Greek Peak Mtn Resort, 2000 St Rt. 392, Cortland

Fall Craft Show and Cowboy Days - October 21 - Cortland Country Music Park, 1824 NY-13, Cortland

YMCA Pumpkin Palooza and Trunk or Treat - October 21 - 50 Graham Road West, Ithaca

Owego Halloween Fest - October 27 - Downtown Owego

Past My Bedtime Band Halloween Party - October 27 - Cortland Country Music Park, 1824 NY-13, Cortland

Hallows & Haunts Fest: Samhain Soiree - October 27 - Artisan Elements, 77 S. West St., Homer

Spooktacular Fall Festival - October 28 & 29 - The Pumpkin Stand, 7844 State Route 414, Ovid

Lisle Fire Company Trunk or Treat - October 28 - Route 79, Lisle

Paranormal Investigation at 1890 House - October 28 - 1890 House Museum, 37 Tompkins St., Cortland

Hall of Honor Dinner Show - October 29 - Cortland Country Music Park, 1824 NY-13, Cortland

Groton Trunk or Treat - October 31 - 101 Conger Blvd., Groton

County Halloween Parade - Watch for updates - Main St., Cortland

Cayuga Medical Gift Shop Vendor Fair - November 8 & 9 - 101 Dates Drive, Ithaca

Piccadilly Lane Christmas Open House - November 18 - 2634 Main St., Whitney Point

Broome County Festival of Lights - November 19 - December 31 - Otsiningo Park, Binghamton

Thanksgiving Eve with Billy & The Therapists - November 22 - Summerhill Brewing, 14408 NY 90, Locke

Small Business Saturday - November 25

Cocktails with Santa at CRT - November 30 - CRT Downtown, 24 Port Watson St., Cortland

Agway Holiday Craft Fair - December 2 - Dryden Agway, Dryden

Christmas in Graceland Dinner Show - December 7 - Cortland Country Music Park, 1824 NY-13, Cortland

Little Red Wagon Artisans - December 9 & 10 - Triphammer Mall, Ithaca

CRT Holiday Brunch - December 9 - CRT Downtown, 24 Port Watson St., Cortland

Annual Ugly Sweater Party - December 16 - Summerhill Brewing, 14408 NY 90, Locke

Dancin' Thru the Decades NYE Dance - December 31 - CRT Downtown, 24 Port Watson St., Cortland

Homer Winterfest - January 26 & 27, 2024 - Village of Homer

CNY 52nd Annual Maple Festival - April 13 & 14, 2024 - Village of Marathon



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and Aiello's has grown, they have embraced ways to improve the entire customer experience. In March of 2020, they updated their website aiellosrestaurant.com and were the first local restaurant in Whitney Point to offer their own online ordering dine in or pickup. Additionally, they specialize in catering events large and small. You can see both their regular menu and catering menu on their website. Don't worry if you aren't tech savvy, you can still give Aiello's a call at 607-692-4114 to order to go, make a reservation or set up your next catering event. Stop in and pick up a jar of Aiello's Red Tomato Sauce. The color is amazing! And the taste is even better! They are open 7 Days a week from 11 am to 9 PM (10 on Saturday and Sunday). aiellosrestaurant.com To commemorate their 40th Anniversary - June 4th is now "Aiello's Day" in Broome County!



olive oil. Always innovators, Charlie and Vinny are always looking for ways to up their game. Whether it is a new recipe, or a fine cocktail there is always something in store. Aiello's Restaurant has always been a family affair. Their father Vito Aiello helped Calogero (Charlie) and Vincenzo (Vinny) open a small pizzeria in the community. Inspired by Mama's busy kitchen and being



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A FAMILY TREE WITH DEEP ROOTS - CELEBRATING 60 YEARS

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Originally known as LaFayette Well Drilling, established in 1963 by Howard Shute, and brother-in-law, Warren Shetler, both the business and their reputation grew over the

years. Shute continued on with the business after Shetler decided to pursue other interests.

Shute was then joined by his sons, Mark, Neil and Scott. Howard Shute retired at nearly 80 years of age while his sons continued the family tradition of providing safe and pure water to the community.

Today, Shute's Water Systems is run by Scott Shute and Matt Farkas, and Shute's Excavation is run by Todd Shute. Scott's wife Becky runs the office with Mark Shute's daughter Jill. The family attributes the majority of its continued success from recommendations it receives from satisfied customers.

Shute said many municipal water systems contain calcium and magnesium, which as "hard" substances, form scale and create problems in water heaters, dish washers and plumbing systems.

Water purification can include the removal of iron, sulfur, chlorine and bacteria in a chemical-free process. Softening the water is also important and has many benefits, not only for family members, but for plumbing systems and appliances too.

"Uncontaminated water is essential for good health," Shute said. "Foul-smelling or unusual

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Many families throughout Central New York use well water as a source of drinking water and for all its household needs. Unfortunately, water containing hydrogen sulfide gas has a distinctive "rotten egg" odor which is especially noticeable when running hot water.

Shute said the danger lies in a gradual chemical reaction

"Hydrogen sulfide gas will corrode plumbing metals such as iron, steel, copper and brass, and the exposed metal parts in appliances such as dishwashers and washing machines" Shute said. "Also, corrosion of iron and steel pipes from ferrous sulfide, or 'black water,' that can darken everyday tableware, discolor copper and brass utensils and alter the appearance and taste of cooked foods."

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KTC’s 2023-24 season is sizzling to life this September to May and has five plays that are an exciting mix of ideas and theatrical approaches. In the fall, the mainstage season includes MONSTERS OF THE AMERICAN CINEMA by Christian St. Croix, a father/son story for our time, TICK, TICK...BOOM! by Jonathan Larson, a musical filled with heart and hope, and SCHEISS BOOK written and performed by Liba Vaynberg, an irreverent, comedic bonbon.

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What the Constitution Means to Me by Heidi Schreck
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FARMERS’ MARKETS

Cortland Farmers’ Market

Will operate through October, 8am- 2pm, Tuesdays and Saturdays. Accepted forms of payment include cash, WIC & Senior checks and Food Stamp Program EBT. Fruits, vegetables, herbs, crafts, natural products - all made and grown locally.

Homer Farmers’ Market

Will operate through October, Saturday mornings from 9am - 1pm and Wednesday evenings from 4:30pm - 7pm. Accepted forms of payment include cash and WIC & Senior checks. Produce, meats, arts and crafts, sundries, plants, baked goods, eggs, dairy and preserves- all grown and made locally.

Cincinnatus Farmers’ Market

Saturdays, 9am - 12pm, through October for local foods but open until Christmas with wreaths, homemade soups and miscellaneous vendor items. 2704 Lower Cincinnatus Road, next to Rural Services. Accepting cash, personal checks and WIC & Senior checks. Along with local fruits and vegetables, you can purchase eggs, honey, maple syrup, baked goods, cutlery, cookbooks with local recipes and guest vendors with a variety of items.

Virgil Farmers’ Market

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CORTLAND REP DOWNTOWN ANNOUNCES FALL SEASON

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The CRT Downtown schedule includes:

September 16 at 7:30PM: The **SUNY Cortland Musical Theatre Class of 2024** hosts their senior showcase fundraiser, "Broadway's Greatest Hits". This cabaret evening of memorable show tunes performed by the SUNY seniors will help raise funds for their New York City Spring Showcase, at which they will meet and sing for talent agents and scouts.

September 21 at 7:00PM: **Third Thursday Trivia** returns. Attendees test their knowledge on a variety of subjects in six rounds of five questions each. Prizes are given for each round with a grand prize for the evening. Hosted by CRT's Producing Artistic Director Kerby Thompson.

September 29 & 30 at 7:30PM: **Edgar Allen Jo's Excellent Dragventure**. CRT partners with Go Jo Productions to present some of New York state's top drag performers to "drag the audience through time". During this time trip, the audience will stop by Marie's for tea and cake, bond with Abe Lincoln, and party with Napoleon. This is an 18 and up performance, because history is wild.

October 14 & 15: **The Little York Fall Fiber Arts Festival** is held at the Little York Pavilion. Now in its 11th year, this CRT fund raiser boasts over 30 vendors for knitters, weavers, yarn enthusiasts, and so much more. Other items include maple products, wood-worked items, clothing, and a wide variety of unique holiday gifts. The festival is open from 9:00-5:00 on Saturday and 10:00 – 3:00 on Sunday.

October 14 at 7:30PM: **Billy Joel's "Piano Man"** **Wade Preston** returns for his 7th annual fall concert, on his birthday. Wade's "one-night only"

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October 19 at 7:00PM: **Third Thursday Trivia** – Halloween edition.

October 21 at 7:30PM: **Backtrack Vocals** is a 5-person professional a cappella singing group based in NYC, that transforms familiar pop, funk, Motown, standards, and Broadway songs with all-new vocal and beatbox arrangements. They infuse heart and humor into every performance and their wildly versatile repertoire, which they have performed in arts centers and concert halls around the country, ensures that there is something for everyone.

November 4 at 7:30PM: Cortland's own **Jack Gerhard** and his band. Celebrating the release of his first album "If You Need Me", Jack makes his concert debut with a stunning evening of cover tunes and a collection of his own original, beautifully written songs. Don't miss Cortland's star-on-the-rise in this intimate evening of heartfelt music.

November 11 at 7:30PM: **Take 3 - Where Rock Meets Bach**. With a flair for the wild and unexpected, this genre-defying trio brings the

refinement of a rigorous classical music background and infuses it with rock-star charisma. Trained at the world's top conservatories, TAKE3 has a vast repertoire that travels from Bach and Beethoven to Bieber and The Beach Boys. This exhilarating performance has been described by audience members as a mini-Trans Siberian Orchestra experience.

November 16 at 7:00PM: **Third Thursday Trivia**

In December, Santa's volunteer elves (CRT's Board and Guild members) decorate the Grand Hall at CRT Downtown for the holidays from top to bottom and invite kids of all ages to stop in, visit with Santa, take selfies, and get in the holiday spirit.

November 30, 7:00 – 9:00PM: **Cocktails with Santa**. A special evening reserved for those folks without children but who still would like to visit our display and snap some holiday photos and even visit with Santa himself. A cash beer/wine bar will be available, with CRT volunteers to take holiday photos with your phone.

December 1: Our display will be open for viewing in conjunction with the City of Cortland's Tree Lighting Ceremony.

December 2 & 3: **Photos with Santa**. Family photos will be taken and emailed over the next week. After visiting Santa, take a stroll through our Wonderland and take selfies. Santa will be in his

chair from 10 – Noon and 2:00 – 4:00 on Saturday, and 1:00 – 3:00 on Sunday.

December 9, 11:00 – 2:00: **CRT's Holiday Brunch**, with special guest Lisa Rock and "A Carpenters Christmas". The CRT Board of Director's 2nd Annual Holiday Brunch Fundraiser and party. Enjoy a delicious brunch, bid on unique silent auction baskets, scoop up some holiday spirits in wine grab bags, and enjoy a one-hour concert with Lisa.

December 9 & 10: **Lisa Rock and "A Carpenters Christmas"**. Based on the music of The Carpenters' two holiday albums and variety shows, this festive holiday concert features "Merry Christmas Darling", the jazzy "Santa Claus is Comin' to Town" and many more. Concerts are at 7:30PM on Saturday and 2:00PM on Sunday.

December 21 at 7:00PM: **Third Thursday Trivia**: December Holiday Edition.

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AFTER MANY YEARS OF HOPE and anticipation, the Antique Firehouse and 1st Responder Exhibit is Now Open! The early dreams and planning stages of the CNY Living History Center located at 4386 US Route 11 between Cortland and Homer included a Firehouse be built on the property. Due to the dream and

passion of one very generous donor, this new two-story building featuring apparatus and artifacts used in firefighting from days gone by are now on display.

Are you interested in walking through history? Our now four-component museum offers something for everyone. In addition to the New Firehouse, a visit to the CNY Living History Center would not be complete without a visit to the other museums featured within our facility.

The Brockway Truck Museum is devoted to the history, furniture, carriages and the trucks produced here in Cortland County from 1875 until 1977. These dependable, heavy-duty, diesel trucks and the history of this local company put this area on the map as Huskietown, USA.

The Homeville Museum and the Ken Eaton Collection of Military Memorabilia dating back to the Civil War will not disappoint. Model

train layouts and railroad history round out this one of a kind museum. You will also find displays of local industrial history, the music and musicians from the area.

The Big Red Barn, also located on the property, is the home of the Tractors of Yesteryears Collection. In this collection of vintage tractors are some unique models and tractors of all colors. Agricultural Heritage and "Grandma's Kitchen" round out this exhibit.

Our line-up of fall events* includes something for everyone! Food will be available at many of the events and as always, vendors and exhibitors are welcome!

September 30: All-Wheels Show and Vintage Tractor Pull. All makes, models and types of vehicles, with or without a motor are welcome ... anything and everything on wheels!

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As the nights were so long, cold, and dark, Winter was also a time of great story-telling for the Iroquois. One such story tells how Grandmother

Moon was very displeased with the way things were going on Earth and decided that all life would end. When the Good Spirit, protector of the Iroquois people, heard this, he asked how the world might be spared. Grandmother Moon replied, *"We will play the Bowl Game, and the one who wins will decide whether or not life continues."*

The Good Spirit next sought out the Chickadees. He explained his idea to use them instead of stones in the bowl, since their heads were black on one side and white on the other. The Chickadees quickly agreed to help, and when the Good Spirit shook the bowl, the little birds flew into the air like tossed stones. They fluttered back down into the bowl, landing in such a way to secure a perfect score for him, thus saving the Earth from destruction.

And that is why, even today, we hear the bright voices of Chickadees singing in Winter as they celebrate the continuance of life.

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Better roads, a booming automobile industry, and bus lines contributed to the demise of the trolley in Cortland County. The trolley days of Cortland ended in 1931, but you can still visit Dwyer Park at Little York and imagine what it must have been like when hundreds of people spent summer days at the Pavilion built there by the Traction Company over one hundred years ago.

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with their works for sale. Live Entertainment: Talented local musicians will be performing throughout the weekend. Pumpkin Pub: Come enjoy a drink at the Pumpkin Pub both days of the Great Cortland Pumpkinfest. A selection of beers will be available. Festival Foods: Grab a bite from Lulu's Kettlecorn, Delis Guy's Catering, Anthony's 19th Hole and more. Mid-Way: The midway is back, and will feature carnival rides, games and tasty treats. The Kids Zone: Games for children of all ages to play with activities to get them in the spirit of fall. Opportunities to win prizes all weekend long! Hay Rides: Available throughout the weekend for \$1 a piece (maximum \$5 per family). Children under 5 ride for free. Pony Rides + Petting Zoo: Free and available all weekend long for the kiddos. Pumpkinfest Merchandise: Don't forget to grab your Pumpkinfest merchandise! We have t-shirts, mugs and so much more!

Music Schedule: Saturday, October 7 - 12pm: Jon Keefner & Jenna Noelle. 12:45pm: Lost Marble Theory. 2pm: Raedwald Howland-Bolton. 3:30pm: Billy Golicki and the Therapists. 5pm: Past My Bedtime. 6:30pm: Tailor-Made.

Sunday, October 8: 12pm: Rachel Beverly. 12:45pm: Brad Allen. 2pm: Molly & Merkley. 3:30pm: Madd Daddy. Please check our Facebook page regularly for updates to the schedule. Join us, Oct. 7-8 at Courthouse Park in historic downtown Cortland.

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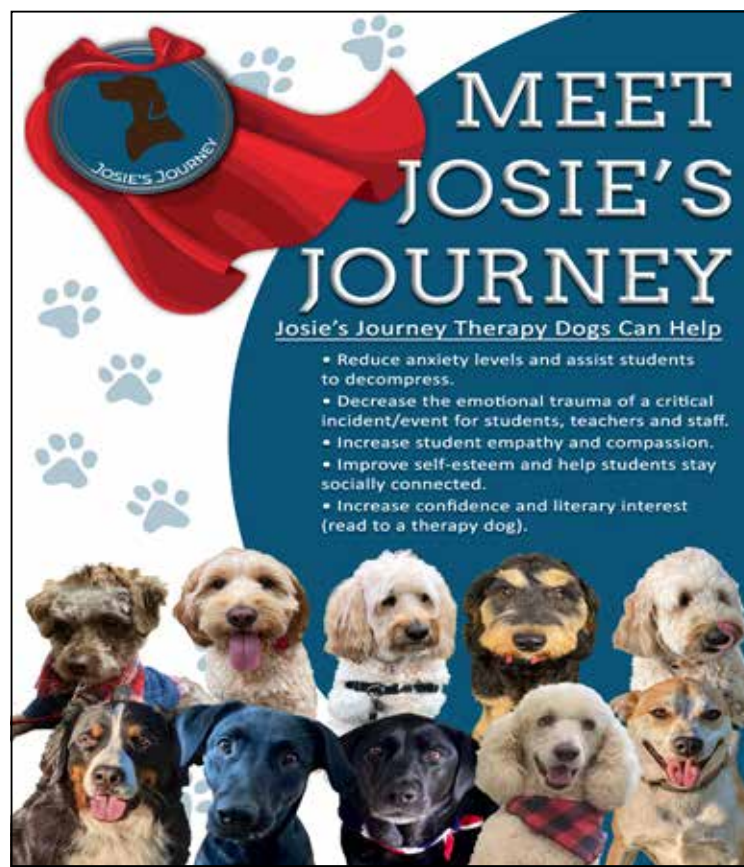


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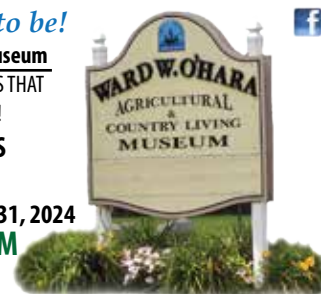
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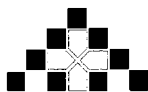
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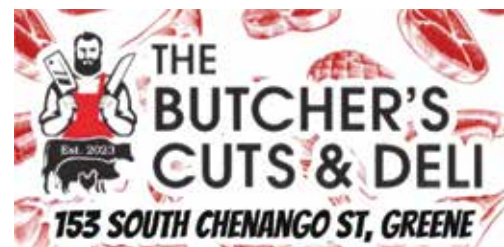
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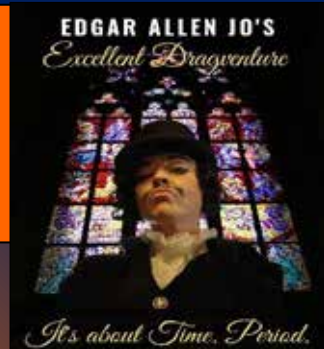
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December 9 – CRT's Holiday Brunch Fund Raiser with guests Lisa Rock and "A Carpenter's Christmas"! Additional concerts on Dec 9 & 10



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November 30 – December 3
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